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Line 11, change "and" to -- Then--; and

Page 44. Line 5, change "until" to --in--.

## **REMARKS**

Issuance of the Notice of Allowance mailed August 30, 1998 is greatly appreciated. This Amendment and Request for Reconsideration is being filed together with the issue fee, i.e., under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a).

Applicant has amended the specification concentrating only on grammatical considerations. No new matter has been added.

Inasmuch as the proposed amendments are directed merely to a matter of form, no additional search or examination is required, and the basis for the patentability of the claim remains unchanged. These amendments are being presented at the first occasion after being discovered in the course of reviewing the application before payment of the issue fee.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that the instant application is still in condition for issuance. An early decision entering these amendments is earnestly solicited. Should there be any questions regarding the application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative at the local telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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